

U.S. meets Hungary at campus 'summit meeting'

By SUSAN KUHLMANN

A student "summit meeting" of sorts was held at UNO Saturday when Nebraska State Student Association (NSSA) representatives met the secretary of the Central Committee of the Hungarian Communist Youth Union.

NSSA Executive Director Deb Chapelle and campus coordinator Mike West exchanged ideas with the Hungarian representative, Ivan Szandtner.

Szandtner, a participant in the International Visitor Program, sponsored by the United States Information Agency (USIA), is in the country for a month-long visit. His tour includes stops at several U.S. campuses in an attempt to learn more about the American university system, the role students play and the relationship between universities and state and federal governments.

Accompanying Szandtner were his interpreter, Edmund Clay, of the U.S. State Department, and Dan Harris, from Omaha's Kiwanis Club, which sponsors international visitors.

Clay said in Hungary, there are no "complete" campuses with various colleges and graduate schools. Instead, the country has about 50 small campuses, with some graduate schools.

Each has a student organization with little power. Szandtner, as head of a nationwide advocacy group, keeps in touch with all the schools. In this position, he "has enough clout," Clay said, to negotiate with the Department of Education in matters of concern to students.

The group also assists alumni with placement services, a role ignored by the universities. As Clay put it, the universities "put you through a curriculum, give you a diploma and say 'goodbye and good luck'."

One issue tackled by Szandtner's group is student rating of faculty. Although all the universities agreed to allow student input, some have been "dragging their feet." It is Szandtner's group who reminds them of their agreement.

Clay compared Szandtner's role to walking a tightrope. Members of the group can't afford to be too radical because they will be perceived as students who don't really understand the realities.

Nor are they effective if they "water things down" too much, simply to please members of the Department of Education.

"You seldom have a dull moment," Clay said.

Chapelle gave a brief history of the NSSA, explaining how it works with both the educational institutions and the Legislature.

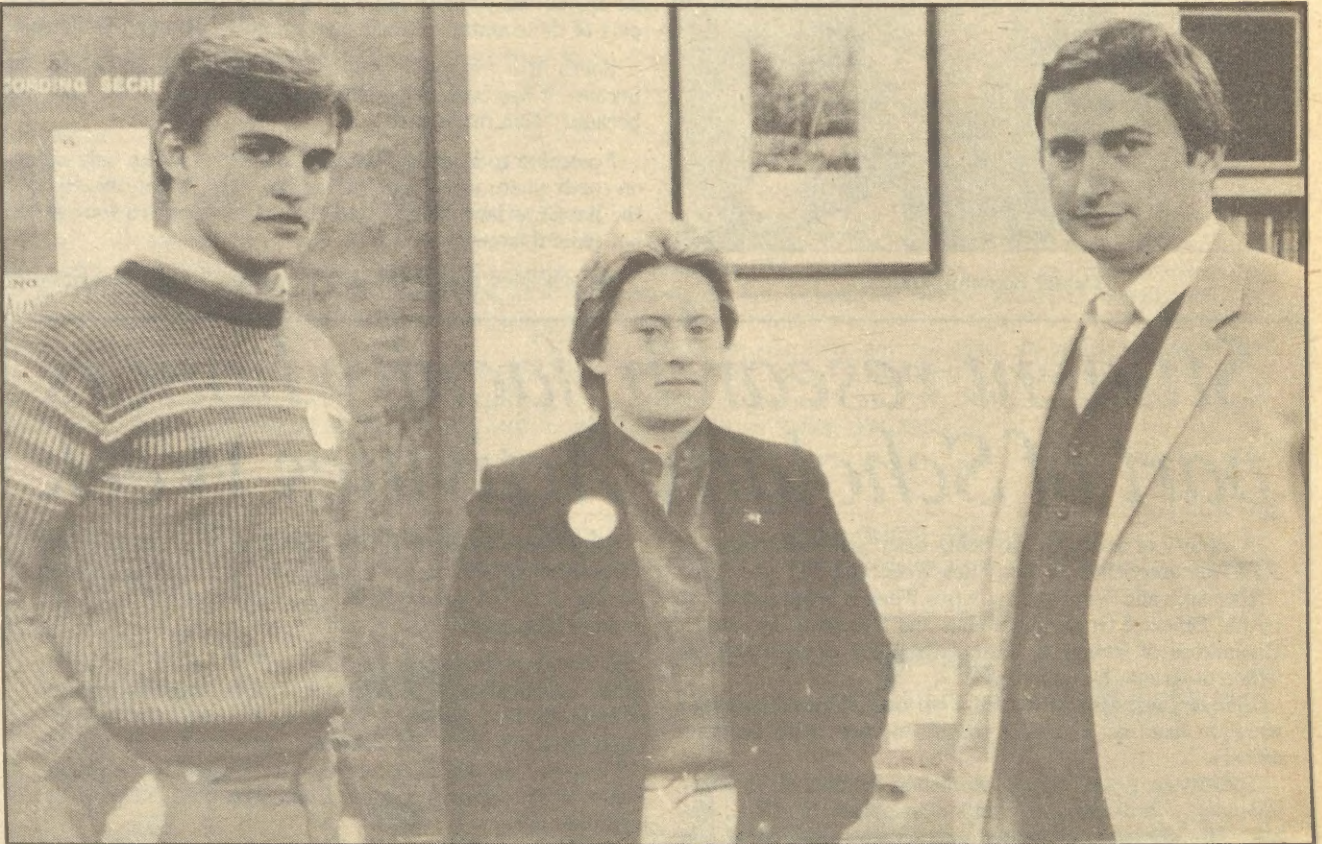
In response to questions from Szandtner, she also explained the organization's "inverted pyramid" structure from the student level through her position as executive director.

Szandtner also inquired about voter turn-out in student elections, availability of student participation in the organization, and the NSSA's potential for furthering issues of local and national student concern.

Chapelle explained the issues addressed by NSSA are initiated by the students. She said the agency is dedicated to dealing with the Nebraska educational issues, and taking on those of national concern would cause NSSA to "lose sight of its original purpose."

When asked why the NSSA is not affiliated with the United States Student Association (USSA), Chapelle said there are too many issues in the state that deserve the group's attention. "With the financial situation in Nebraska being so dire, we keep the emphasis at home," she said, adding it reaches out to federal issues only when necessary.

Szandtner also asked about student involvement in adminis-



—Karen Nelson

NSSA members meet with Hungarian youth leader. From left: Mike West, Deb Chapelle, Ivan Szandtner.

tration or faculty committees. West said the most direct involvement is that of the Student President/Regent, who is allowed to sit in and make proposals at Regents meetings, al-

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though denied the right to vote.

Szandtner, in turn, was asked about student government organizations in Hungary. He said although active, structured organizations do exist, "it is valuable to understand how they are run in another country."

Continuing, he explained that even though the social and po-

litical systems of two countries may differ, students still share the same concerns, such as fairness, faculty-student relationships, and even sexual freedom.

Clay, inserting a personal note, said most other countries in Europe and Japan looked outside their borders for possible solutions to problems. But the United States is unique in its tendency to try to solve problems on its own. According to Clay, the United States has maintained a "very independent attitude from the Boston Tea Party onward."

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Finally, he was asked about the accessibility of higher education for students in Hungary. Szandtner said entrance to college is based on high school performance and scores from an entrance exam. He said there is "no tuition to speak of" at the institutions as long as a student maintains a C average.

According to Szandtner, there are two-and-a-half times more students who apply for college entrance as there are available openings. He added 95 percent of those who get in graduate.

Although in Hungary a student's entrance is not based on his family's income, Szandtner said the "very poorest people" are considered culturally beneath others and their ability to attend college is therefore limited.

Faculty have worked without a contract since June 30

By DAN PRESCHER

An agreement on salary increases may be in sight for UNO faculty members who have technically been working without a contract since June 30.

At a meeting of the UNO chapter of the American Association of University Professors (AAUP) Oct. 2, Janet Mason West, assistant professor of economics and chief negotiator on UNO's AAUP negotiating team, told association members that the atmosphere at the table had been good.

"Not too many daggers have been thrown," said West. "Generally speaking, all of us would say they (the talks) have gone well. We should be able to wrap it up fairly quickly unless they dig their heels in."

West said the AAUP has been negotiating with the University of Nebraska Board of Regents for about a year for a salary increase. While money for the NU system, including faculty salaries, is appropriated by the Nebraska Legislature, the Board of Regents decides how the money is apportioned.

"A figure of 3.1 percent is being discussed now," West said. "If we want more, we must go to the CIR."

Bernard Kolasa, UNO chapter president of AAUP and chairman of UNO's political science department, explained that the CIR was the Commission on Industrial Relations, created by state statute to mediate in labor-management disputes in the public sector.

Kolasa told those at the meeting that just under \$3,900 had been pledged to a CIR defense fund, which would be used to

pay for taking the dispute before the CIR if not settled in negotiations. Kolasa said the figure represented 15 to 17 percent of an estimated \$20,000 needed to mount an action with the CIR.

Asked to explain the current contract condition of UNO faculty, Kolasa said that, while the contract technically expired on June 30, most of its provisions were designed to remain in effect after that date unless changed by a new agreement.

He said, however, that the salary and fringe benefit parts of the contract were specifically limited in time, and that any new agreement on salary increases would be retroactive to July 1.

Kolasa said that the position of UNO's faculty is different than that of other state employees, in that the management of most state agencies is appointed by or directly responsible to the Governor and the Legislature.

On the other hand, Kolasa said university personnel are managed by an elected Board of Regents who receive funds from the Legislature, but distribute those funds without legislative oversight. This puts labor-management negotiations in the NU system on a different footing than those of other state agencies.

During the new business portion of the meeting, West proposed changing the organization's bylaws to allow \$5 per year from each member's dues to go into a political action committee (PAC) fund.

She said the PAC fund money would be used to support candidates on the local and state level responsive to the needs of the AAUP.

When asked if the money would constitute a forced political campaign contribution for AAUP members, West said she thought provisions could be made for anyone not wanting to contribute to reclaim their money at the end of the year.

She compared this to the 50 cents taken from individual student fees each semester for the Nebraska State Students Association to support its lobbying activities. She said that if students want that money back, they can go to the NSSA office for a refund.

Game time change

Saturday's Homecoming football game between UNO and Mankato State University has been moved to 1:30 p.m. The game was originally scheduled for 7:30 p.m.

The time change was made after the Nebraska-Oklahoma State game was changed to a 6:45 p.m. kickoff. The Nebraska-Oklahoma State game will be nationally televised on ESPN, a cable network. Homecoming events connected with the game, such as coronation of homecoming royalty, will be changed as well.

UNO's annual Jogathon, originally scheduled to begin at 6 p.m., will now start at 5 p.m. at Al Caniglia Field.

Professors speak out on South African issue



Daniel Boamah-Wiafe

—Roger Tunis

"The issue involving South Africa and apartheid is not a racial issue, but a civil rights issue, a human rights issue," according to Daniel Boamah-Wiafe, assistant professor of black studies.

Boamah-Wiafe spoke Oct. 4 during a forum on South Africa sponsored by the black studies department. The forum was held in the Student Center Ballroom.

He said because the whites have been in South Africa since the 17th century, the country belongs to them as well as the blacks. "No black nationalists are claiming that the whites should be kicked out, they're just saying that they should be given a part of the country — their own country," Boamah-Wiafe said.

South Africa is a rich country (with gold and diamonds) not because it has been ruled by a white government, he said, but because "God made it so."

According to Boamah-Wiafe, South Africa is the only nation on earth where racial segregation is backed by the law. He said the Jim Crow laws that existed in the United States were state, not federal laws.

He explained that the reason 72 percent of the population of

South Africa allows itself to be "controlled, brutalized and killed" by a minority government is because that government has segregated the blacks into separate homelands.

The 13.7 percent of land inhabited by blacks, Boamah-Wiafe said, is the "most marginal land (for agriculture)."

However, according to Boamah-Wiafe, "history is running its course." He said United States financial institutions, led by Chase Manhattan Bank, are finally beginning to realize that "it is not only immoral but uneconomical to support South Africa."

He predicted that sooner or later the South African government is going to fall. "Blacks are determined, regardless of the consequences, to share power" with the whites, Boamah-Wiafe said. The choice, he said, is between evolution and revolution.

He said the Black African National Congress, established in 1912, is the first political party that emerged in Africa. Founded by blacks, it has for years been trying to get the white minority regime to share the power.

However, Boamah-Wiafe said its pleas and protests for a relaxation of segregation have only been met with violence.

"If a government kills its own citizens for daring to protest against repression, what kind of government is it?" he asked.

Boamah-Wiafe compared the situation to an earlier one in this country, "The reason why George Washington and his friends went to war was to fight an oppressive government."

Continuing, he said if a government fails to meet the needs of its people, then the people have every right to get rid of that government.

He said a few years ago, Ian Smith and his followers wanted to hold onto power in what was then Rhodesia, fearing that if blacks ruled, they would expel the whites. Instead, that country (now Zimbabwe) guarantees whites — which comprise 20 percent of the population — 20 percent of the seats in Parliament.

Boamah-Wiafe urged his listeners to stay informed on the South African issue and to "let your voices be known to your Senators and Congressmen."

"If you see injustice and you don't fight it because it's far removed from you, sooner or later it's going to grow and affect you," he said.

Waliyy Gill, of the black studies department, also spoke at the forum. He praised the Southern Africa Media Center, created by the California News Reel Service in 1977 to "reach grass-roots America and show the historic plight and current condition of black South Africans." The center is today, he said, the most widely used source of films on South Africa in the world, and offers an alternative to the commercial media.

Student research, faculty honors part of Scholarly Activities Week

A variety of activities are being held this week as part of Research and Scholarly Activities Week at UNO.

Research and Scholarly Activities Week is being sponsored by the Office of Graduate Studies and Research, University Committee of Research, Grants Advisory Council and the Office of Grants Development.

Monday, representatives from various Nebraska agencies were on hand as part of a chance to meet with program officers.

Tuesday, a grant writing workshop conducted by Mary Kluender, coordinator for grants development at UNL, was held. The workshop presented topics such as the "dos" and "don'ts" of proposal writing, budgeting procedures, contact with agencies and UNO procedures.

Today, graduate and undergraduate students will share information regarding their research efforts at UNO. Descriptions of funding sources available for students will be presented. The students will be in the Gallery Room at the Student Center from 2 to 4 p.m.

Thursday, a Profiles of Excellence Reception honoring the 17 individuals who earned recognition for excellence among faculty at UNO, will be held. The reception will be at the Alumni House from 3 to 5 p.m.

Friday, a grant awards luncheon will be held to recognize those individuals who received external funding from grants in 1984-85. Bun Song Lee, UNO's first recipient of the Distinguished Research and Scholarly Activity Award, will be the featured speaker. The luncheon will be held in the Dodge Room of the Student Center from noon to 1:30 p.m. by invitation only.

Also being held Friday is a University Committee on Research Seminar (UCR). Presented will be the UCR's purposes, categories of funding, and procedures. Information of evaluation criteria, application forms, and deadline dates will be available. The seminar will be held in the Gallery Room of the Student Center from 2 to 4 p.m. For more information call 554-2286.

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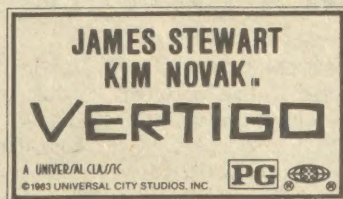
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Garver, a history professor, is the chairman of the UNO Rhodes Scholarship Review Committee. The committee, said Garver, wants to encourage qualified students to apply for the scholarship.

As of Oct. 3, five students applied for the Rhodes Scholarship. "I thought more than five students would pick up applications and compete," Garver said.

A Rhodes Scholar studies at Oxford University in England for at least two years. If approved, a Rhodes Scholar may study for a third year at Oxford. Thirty-two scholarships are available for students from the United States. The scholarship pays for tuition, fees and provides living allowance for each student.

Applicants for the scholarship may apply either in their home state or in the state where they are attending college. To be eligible, a student must:

- be an unmarried citizen of the United States.
- be between 18 and 24 by Oct. 1, 1985.
- have enough credits to be assured of completing a bachelor's degree by Oct. 1, 1986.

Garver said the committee would also look for students who have high grade point averages — although there is no official minimum grade point average for applicants, Garver said students should probably have at least a B-plus average — and an interest in the types of courses taught at Oxford. There are no

restrictions regarding what a Rhodes Scholar may major in except what the Oxford course catalog offers, Garver said.

Along with his or her application, the student must send:

- six copies of a professional, unmounted photograph of himself or herself, no larger than 4 inches by 7 inches, with the applicant's signature on the back.
- a photostat of the applicant's birth certificate.
- six copies of the applicant's college transcript, one of which must be certified by the registrar.
- a doctor's certificate.
- six copies of a list of activities participated in and honors won during the applicant's college years.
- six copies of a personal essay listing general activities and intellectual interests and what the applicant plans to study at Oxford.

—names and addresses of five to eight references. At least four references should be professors or other people under whom the student has done college-level work.

The committee, which includes Garver; Barbara Hayhome, chairwoman and associate professor of biology; Boyd Littrell, sociology professor; and James Saker, associate professor of music, will interview each UNO candidate individually. In addition, the committee will interview one professor the student has used as a reference.

Information gathered from the interviews will be forwarded to the state Rhodes committee, said Garver. "We'll comment at length about what achievements the student has made in his

major," Garver said.

Rhodes candidates will then be interviewed by the state committee. Two state candidates are chosen. "Evaluations from the student's referees will be the most important thing the committee looks at," said Garver. "The committee will also ask about the student's intellectual and extracurricular activities, and perhaps ask about scholarly and contemporary and political issues. I say possibly — my experience with the process is old and out of date."

Garver was one of two Rhodes candidates from Colorado during his college years. Although he did not win the Rhodes Scholarship, he said the experience was "worthwhile — I met the most interesting and attractive people as a result of the competition."

Finalists are then sent before a district committee, where the final selection is made. The Rhodes Trustees will pay round trip transportation to the district committee for all state finalists.

Although applications must be postmarked by Oct. 31, students are advised to pick up applications in the Educational and Student Services Office, Eppley Administration Building Room 211, by Oct. 16. Most interviews with the UNO Rhodes Scholarship Review Committee will be scheduled between Oct. 20 and 24.

Students who have any questions about the Rhodes Scholarship may call the Educational and Student Services Office, 554-2779; Garver, 554-2584; Hayhome, 554-2614; Littrell, 554-2626; or Saker, 554-3352.

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The ABC breakfast starts at 7:30 a.m. in the Holiday Inn High Rise, 69th and Grover Streets. Tickets for the breakfast are \$6.50 per person and are available through the College of Continuing Studies, 554-2391.

Be a candidate

Applications for student senate seats are available in the Student Government Office, Student Center Room 134. The filing deadline is Friday. For more information and qualifications, call 554-2620.

Out for blood

Today is the last day to sign up for the ROTC blood drive. Cadets will be on campus to take names and telephone numbers of students wishing to donate blood Oct. 16 at the Student Center.

Survive UNO

The Learning Resource Center and Counseling/University Division are co-sponsoring a series of College Survival Seminars. A seminar on money management will be held Oct. 10 and 11 in the Council Room, third floor of the Student Center, from noon to 1:30 p.m. Oct. 15 and 16, a seminar on word processing and writing term papers will be held from noon to 2 p.m. in Eppley Administration Building Room 117. All Survival Seminars are free for UNO students.

Stocks and bonds

Phi Chi Beta, a business organization, is holding a meeting Oct. 10 at 6 p.m. in the Tower Room, third floor of the Student Center. A representative from Merrill Lynch will be the guest speaker.

Go wild!

The first UNO Outdoor Club meeting will be held today at 6 p.m. in HPER Building Room 109. Bring ideas and "go wild." For more information, call the Outdoor Venture Center, 554-2258.

Rastling with Samantha

Jane Curry, a scholar, historian and humorist, will bring her one-woman show, "Samantha Comes to Town: an Evening With Jane Curry," Oct. 14 at 8 p.m. in the Student Center Ballroom. "Samantha" is a look at the fictional character Samantha Smith Allen, a creation of 19th century humorist Marietta Holley. Samantha "rastles" with questions concerning history's treatment of women, rights denied women by the church, women's powerlessness before the law, social status, roles and other issues.

Curry has written articles on Holley and edited a critical anthology called *Samantha Rastles the Woman Question*.



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Eating our words

The Oct. 4 "What's Next" included an item that said the UNO Gourmet Club is looking for members. It is — but not for student members. Marshal Prisbell informed *The Gateway* that the Gourmet Club is part of the Faculty Women's Club and does not accept student members. *The Gateway* regrets the inconvenience.

The program, sponsored by the Nebraska Commission on the Status of Women and the Women's Resource Center, is free.

Omaha's team

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By the book

A seminar on book publishing will be held Oct. 16 in Omaha. Richard L. Austin, UNL professor and published author, will lead the seminar. Topics include what publishing companies publish and why, how to write a book proposal so it will be read, how your book can be profitable, how to overcome production details and what to look for (and look out for) in signing a book agreement. Sample publishing agreements, publishers' questionnaires, sample proposal outlines and publishers' guide for authors are also provided.

Pre-registration is required. To register, or for more information, contact the Department of Conferences and Institutes, 205 Nebraska Chapter, University of Nebraska at Lincoln, Lincoln, Neb. 68583-0929; or call 1-472-2844.

Writers' conference

The fall professional conference of the Nebraska Writers Guild will be held Oct. 19 at the New Tower Inn, 7764 Dodge Street.

Speakers include Columbia, Md. writer Ruth Glick, author of 30 books; Deborah Byrd, writer/producer of the PBS radio series, *Star Date*; publisher Laurence Stevens; Omaha novelist Bill Holland; and a dozen Nebraska writers as panelists or Round Table hosts. Round Table sessions include topics such as poetry, word processing, grammar and research.

The all-day conference costs \$20 for Guild members and \$25 for non members. For reservations and more information, call Beth Schrempp, 393-1493.

Try a triathlon

The UNO Sport Club Association and Boys Town are co-sponsoring the Triathlon of the Midlands Oct. 12, 9 a.m. at Boys Town. The event includes a 500-yard swim, a nine-mile bicycle race and a three-mile run. Cost is \$10 if you register today; \$15 afterward. To apply or for more information, call 554-2539.

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*Publications Committee meeting, Nov. 13, 7:30 a.m., Omaha Room, Student Center. ALL APPLICANTS MUST ATTEND.

Adoptive Triad offers tips, support and aid in 'finding their own'

By MARY KENNY BAUM

Part one of a series.

On the fourth Tuesday of each month, about 30 men and women gather in a meeting room at Omaha's Swanson Library. They carry briefcases, folders or looseleaf notebooks filled with papers and documents which contain what they hope may be a clue to their biological identities.

They are members of the Midwest Adoption Triad, one of a network of more than 300 groups nationwide working to reunite those separated from a birth relative through the adoption process.

Rena Stevens, vice-president and search coordinator for the Omaha group, said the organization serves several functions. It provides search assistance for adoptees, and encouragement by people who share similar feelings and experiences.

Stevens estimates there are 9,000,000 adoptees in the United States. If the entire "triad" of the adoptive process is considered — the adoptee, the birthparents and the adoptive parents — adoption affects more than 36,000,000 Americans, she said.

Those who work closely with adoptees and birth relatives said several factors motivate the search. Nebraska Department of Social Services Search Coordinator Bob Rudell explained

that "within the heart of everyone searching, they want to find 'their own' . . . they don't feel complete.

He has assisted those who, at their physician's insistence, request medical information but have no desire to personally meet their birth relatives.

Stevens said many people are motivated to search by "some sort of crisis in their lives" or cathartic experience, such as the birth of their own child or the death of a loved one.

Only four states allow adoptees some access to original birth records — Kansas, Montana, Alabama and Minnesota. Though Nebraska is not among them, state law does provide adoptees some information.

At age 25, the searcher can register with the state's Bureau of Vital Statistics, giving the state permission to release identifying information (such as name and address) to other birth relatives.

And at age 25, an adoptee may request non-identifying information through the agency that handled the adoption. Although names are not provided, non-identifying information includes the parents' occupations at the time of the child's birth, hobbies and interests, a medical history, physical description and ethnic origin. The agency is required by law to attempt to

contact the birthparent or relative at the adoptees request.

However, Stevens said if the adoption was handled privately, i.e., through an attorney, non-identifying information is usually not available. This lack of information makes it particularly hard to conduct a search, she said.

Those who attend a Midwest Adoption Triad meeting for the first time are given a list of "Tips for Adoptees Searching in Nebraska," consent forms to file with the Bureau of Vital Statistics and an application for the Reunion Registry, an organization which attempts to match identities of searchers. Stevens said the international service has 22,000 names on file.

Midwest Adoption Triad meetings begin with a search workshop. Members bring pieces of their biological puzzles — faded photographs, yellowed baptismal certificates, old letters — and attempt to piece them together with other information to provide clues to their identity.

Recently, Pat, the wife of an adoptee, brought a photo of her husband at the age of 4.

"Look at the back of this picture," Pat said, "there's a 'Q' followed by nine numbers, than an 'E'. If you take away the letters, the nine numbers could be a Social Security number. What do you think, Rena?"

Stevens examined the photograph and replied, "It's worth a try. Call the Social Security office, tell them the number and ask for a replacement card. Maybe you'll come up with a name."

Another new member, Gloria, had no photos or documents, only questions. Both her adoptive parents are deceased, and at 23, she is not legally entitled to any information about her birthparents. She said she was born in Denver.

"How can I find out the name of the attorney who handled by adoption? How can I get ahold of my birth certificate?" She asked.

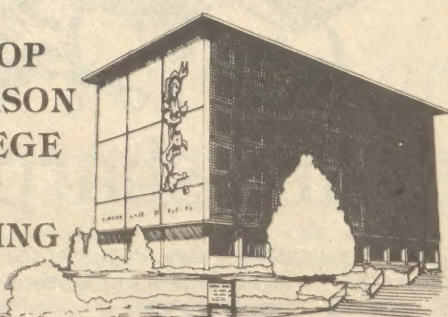
Stevens answered her questions and offered alternatives if some of her suggestions didn't pan out.

But Gloria looked discouraged. "I bet if I was on my deathbed, they wouldn't tell me my birthname," she said.

"Searching is one of the most frustrating experiences you'll ever go through," Stevens said. "What most people don't understand is, we're very intimidated doing this . . . it scares you to death because you don't know what you're going to find."

Most searches take about one year, "and if you have a name and some non-identifying information to go by, it usually takes between one hour and three weeks," Stevens said.

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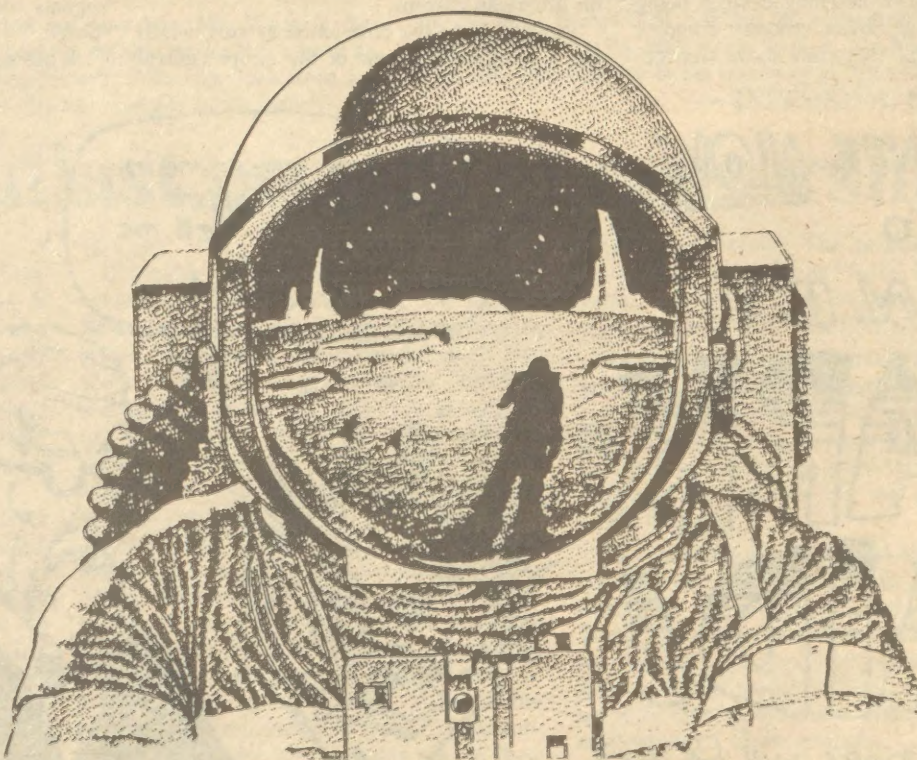
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Ignoring tradition

The Homecoming Queen campaign was going slowly, said Muffy. "I'll be glad when this is over. All I've been doing this week is standing outside the Student Center, trying to pin construction paper badges on people and smiling. Do you know what a pain it is to smile all day at people who don't care?"

"I did that every day on my old job," the freshman said.

Muffy didn't seem to listen. "You know what happened this morning? Some lady old enough to be my mother told me I was cute and reminded her of her high school days — high school, can you imagine? — and asked me if maybe I wasn't a little old for this sort of thing."

The freshman picked up a book from the table and put it in a bookbag. "Maybe she's right," the freshman said. "After all, you are 22. Not that there's anything wrong with having fun, but what's the big deal about a silly popularity contest? So many people on this campus are 26 and over. They aren't going to care about a one-night costume party. By the way, what does homecoming royalty do, anyway?"

"Nothing," said Muffy. "It's just tradition."

"Oh," said the freshman. "Did anyone else care?"

Muffy shook her head, the blonde curls falling into place. "Everyone else was too busy with classes and work. Lots of people were getting ready to pick up their kids. No one even listened to me."

The freshman checked the clock. "Gee, Muffy, it's been fun, but I've got to study for a mid-term. See you later."

As Muffy watched the freshman leave, she wailed, "Does this mean you aren't going to help pass out construction paper badges?"

—KAREN NELSON



The large Soviet ear seems to be getting sharper

Washington — Very soon, the Soviet Union's secret police will be able to eavesdrop from their sparkling new embassy here on practically every telephone conversation in the nation's capital. They may already be doing it.

This massive invasion of privacy is not only a violation of our constitutional rights but very dangerous to national security, giving the Soviets confidential personal and policy information we'd rather they didn't have and potentially exposing key public figures to blackmail and intimidation.

Yet no one except Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, D-N.Y., seems to be very worried about this invisible but insidious threat from the enemy within.

The senator has been trying to arouse Congress to do something to stop this electronic espionage, but so far his colleagues have only yawned. It has not, apparently, occurred to them that their own telephones are prime targets.

The Reagan administration has moved to protect the White House, Pentagon and other key government offices against the sophisticated new laser-beam listening devices being installed in the huge Soviet embassy complex on Mount Alto, a hill that rises above George-

town. The complex, under construction for several years and already partially occupied, is due to be completed in about two years.

But Congress, the press, those who do business with the government, and the public at large will be vulnerable to the large Soviet ear.

Despite American naivete about such things, there is no question that the Soviets have the technology to listen to the phone conversations they choose and are doing so. For 10 years, they have from their United Nations missions electronically intercepted conversations all over New York City, from Wall Street and media insiders to the diplomatic missions of friend and foe alike.

Now the Russians are bringing their latest snooping techniques to Washington. The old embassy three blocks from the White House, on low ground, does not have the sophisticated equipment now being installed at Mount Alto, although interceptors can be spotted on its roof. "They can't hear easily from where they are now," Moynihan says. An FBI official has estimated that 40 percent of the embassy personnel are currently involved in eavesdropping on American citizens.

In addition to the new embassy site, which has a commanding view of the entire central

Washington area and a clear path in all directions for its radio signals, new microwave technology makes it possible to sort out unwanted conversations from potentially useful ones. For instance, computers automatically turn on the Soviet eavesdropping equipment when targeted telephone numbers are dialed.

You don't have to understand the complex engineering behind this to understand its terrifying potential. "The fact that we can pick up tiny radio signals from satellites spinning at the edge of the universe tells you how sophisticated the modern equipment is," Moynihan says.

Most of what the administration may be doing to counter the peril is secret, as is whatever spying of our own we might be doing.

But Congress recently approved a National Security Agency (NSA) budget request for 500 phone scramblers at a cost of \$35,000 each, to garble the conversations of top officials. The president recently signed an executive order requiring all government limousines used by officials to have phone scramblers.

During the Carter administration, phone lines to the Pentagon were buried, so that their signals could not be picked up in the atmosphere.

What seems clear, however, is that nothing

is being done to protect the citizens of Washington, including its legislators, and this is what riles Moynihan.

He thinks that by not publicly objecting to the surveillance, the administration is "sending a signal that we don't mind what they are doing or don't dare raise hell. It is also sending a signal that government looks after itself but the poor peasants aren't part of it."

And he would strongly object if Congress suddenly got alarmed and installed scramblers on its own phones. "That would suggest a great distance between us and the people," he says. "The last thing we need is to have Congress take care of itself and let everybody else shift for themselves."

Moynihan is trying to prod the administration into confronting the problem publicly and expelling KGB agents who are electronics experts. Thus far, the administration has refused, contending that such a confrontation might lead to exposure of our own intelligence sources and methods.

To that, Moynihan says "Nuts." This is a touchy problem, and will be the subject of a subsequent column.

—MARIANNE MEANS

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Op Ed

Gorbachev pits 'Charm Wars' against 'Star Wars'

Not in recent memory has a Soviet leader conducted as concerted a public-relations campaign as has Mikhail Gorbachev.

His visit to Paris last week was further evidence of Gorbachev's new approach to international relations, notwithstanding that much of his message to the French seemingly was merely Soviet propaganda wrapped in a different ribbon.

Undoubtedly, the visit to Paris was at least partially intended as a bit of nuclear-arms-negotiating oneupsmanship of the United States; witness Gorbachev's offer to negotiate directly with the French concerning such weapons.

In the broader context, the Gorbachev visit was another effort to portray the Soviet Union in the most favorable possible light as a prelude to the Reagan-Gorbachev summit in November.

Since Gorbachev took the reins of Soviet power earlier this year, it has become increasingly apparent that this relatively young Russian leader has an unprecedented interest in disseminating a positive Soviet image abroad.

Although France — not a NATO nation — declined to negotiate directly with the Soviets on nuclear weapons, French President Francois Mitterand implicitly endorsed a Soviet proposal

to ban superpower space-based defense weapons such as President Reagan's Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI).

The Soviets also have proposed a 50 percent reduction in the offensive nuclear arsenals of the two superpowers. And during his Paris visit, Gorbachev said the number of triple-warhead SS-20 missiles aimed at Western Europe and on "standby alert" would be reduced to 243, the number poised prior to the installation last year of U. S. Pershing 2 and cruise missiles in Western Europe.

This proposal was seen as an attempt to influence the Netherlands, which must decide by Nov. 1 whether it will accept U. S. cruise missiles.

However, it seems as though every recent arms-control overture by the Soviets has been quickly and summarily dismissed by the United States.

Washington initially labelled the 50 percent arms-reduction proposal "inequitable." Reagan expressed skepticism at the SS-20 reshuffle, saying the missiles and their mobile launchers simply could be moved back into place at any time.

This summer's announcement that the Soviets were unilaterally suspending nuclear testing for six months met with similar skepticism in Washington: The suspension of Soviet tests, so it was said, is insignificant, since the Soviets conducted an inordinate number of tests prior to their moratorium.

Such U. S. suspicions very well might be justified. It would be naive in the extreme to hastily and unconditionally agree to whatever suggestions the Soviets proffer without further investigation.

On the other hand, one would hope that every Soviet proposal coming down the pike is not dismissed behind the closed doors of the Geneva arms talks as summarily as recent Soviet proposals seem to have been dismissed in public.

Gorbachev's spit-and-polish public image and the Soviets' ostensibly genuine overtures toward slowing, halting or reversing — whichever one prefers — the nuclear-arms race are in large part a response to Reagan's SDI, which has the Soviets nervous. So far, however, Reagan has steadfastly maintained that SDI is not a bargaining chip, that is, non-negotiable.

In the final analysis, quite apart from trying to determine how many — if any — of the recent Soviet proposals represent a genuine willingness to pursue substantive arms reductions, Gorbachev's well-orchestrated "nice-guy" campaign is in itself significant.

Gorbachev has provided the West — particularly the United States — with an unequalled opportunity to possibly make real arms-control progress . . . by calling Gorbachev's bluff, if indeed that is what it is.

As the Nov. 19 summits draws near, it increasingly seems that Gorbachev and the Soviets will be perceived as rational and willing to compromise, while Reagan and the United States — unless things change — could well be perceived as intransigent regarding nuclear weapons.

If the Reagan administration continues to quickly and publicly dismiss or criticize every Soviet arms-control proposal, the Soviets likely could win the crucial war in the forum of world opinion before Reagan and Gorbachev ever meet in Geneva. So far, Gorbachev seems to be winning most of the battles in that war.

—JOHN MALNACK II

'White's essays are as relaxing as breakfast coffee'

"The essayist arises in the morning and, if he has work to do, selects his garb from an unusually extensive wardrobe: he can pull on any sort of shirt, be any sort of person, according to his mood or his subject matter — philosopher, scold, jester, raconteur, confidant, pundit, devil's advocate, enthusiast."

For we who wish to become *essaistes* when we grow up, that is about as pungent a definition of what it is we wish to be within our chosen craft as any I have found. Those words, as it happens, are found in the foreword to one of the most calming books one might read, the sort of book which is as conducive to relaxation as coffee at the breakfast table: *Essays of E. B. White*.

This is the sort of book which fills a wholly legitimate need: we need writers who can compose pieces which permit the real world — as Serious Thinkers would have it — to take a breather from voyeurs such as ourselves; and permit us to remember, whenever we forget, something so simple as the *thunk!* of a backfiring car; without thinking, somewhere across the ocean, terrorists shoot citizens and — in return — have their headquarters bombed out of sight.

Heaven knows: the job is not simple. Against a division which places audiences for cheap thrills against audiences for Immediate Solutions against each other — placing those who just Think Constantly somewhere in the leftovers line — the E. B. Whites must have had their work task magnified to the *nth* power.

I say "had" for two reasons: 1) E. B. White was the *only* E. B. White one ever found on the printed page; imitators did not exist because imitation was impossible. 2) E. B. White passed to his reward last week. Poor fellow. If he thinks he will find his rest at last, he underestimates the number which doubtless awaits his check-in, waiting for him to gather them 'round, open

his pages, and remind them of things which matter; things they loved, things for which they longed yet neglected.

Andy Rooney, the resident curmudgeon of *60 Minutes*, tells the story of Mr. White's reaction to the television adaptation of *Here Is New York*, which adaptation Mr. Rooney himself has written. Essentially, Mr. White likes the television piece; how-

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— E. B. WHITE
(1899-1985)

ever, he did have one small complaint. He saw himself portrayed, lying on the bed in his hotel room as he wrote, with his shoes on. "E. B. White," Mr. Rooney observed dryly, "*never* went to bed with his shoes on."

I read *Here Is New York* not long ago. Mr. White in due course would dismiss the book as nothing more than a book he happened to enjoy rereading himself: "*The city I described has disappeared, and another city has emerged in its place — one*

that I'm not familiar with. But I remember the former one, with longing and with love. . . . The last time I visited New York, it seemed to have suffered a personality change, as though it had a brain tumor as yet undetected."

But that, precisely, is why the book belongs to our patrimony. On the other hand, one had the feeling he knew such things so belonged. "*I have always felt charged with the safekeeping of all unexpected items of worldly or unworldly enchantment, as though I might be held personally responsible if even a small one were to be lost."*

How many writing men have ever known, or acknowledged such responsibility might exist at all?

I did have one small point of contention with Mr. White: his undisguised distaste for "the fancy word." As the master of the simple phrase, I suppose he had more right to the grudge. But why should it be so abhorrent? I suspect the discomfort, for most, is that one finds with unfamiliarity, to which I usually say: the unfamiliar is unfamiliar only to those to whom it *is* unfamiliar. The language is too rich, too expansive, to impose limits which are, really, a matter of time and place. Impose them centrally, and our patrimony becomes subject to arbitration. That — as readers of this space must have gathered somehow — I find uncomfortable.

But why turn away from the entire meal, simply because one does not happen to like a singular side dish? To do so would be to exercise, at best, poor taste, and deprive oneself of an experience which remains long after the dishes have been washed and put away. Stuart Little's father did a wonderful job for himself, whether from his observation deck at *The New Yorker*; or, from the crisp sagacity of his hideaway in Allen Cove, Maine.

—JEFFREY A. KALLMAN

'Good works can even outlast periods of censorship'

Does anyone seriously purport to be so qualified with wisdom as to be able to protect the rest of us from the deluge of offensive materials that bombard us daily? Some do.

One man in Chicago found Mark Twain's *Huckleberry Finn* so offensive that he couldn't stop at merely trying to ban it from school and public libraries. He took upon himself the noble burden of expurgating the work of all its racist language.

CBS television protected the young of this country years ago by saving it from the sight of Elvis Presley's pulsating thighs and gyrating hips when it prohibited its cameramen from filming Presley below the waist as he performed on the *Ed Sullivan Show*.

The newest crusade for decency has shifted its direction slightly away from television and movies to the burgeoning video cassette industry. Whether the issue is ratings or total censorship, crusaders are wasting time on something that makes no sense.

Public censorship actually weakens the individual's ability to make informed decisions, and in turn, weakens society. If the object of ratings or censorship is to guide or educate as some suggest, the purpose defeats itself. Knowledge and its spread provide power to the minds of society. Suppression fosters lack of knowledge, which by definition is ignorance; therefore, censorship promotes ignorance, not

education.

If the object of censorship is to protect the so-called impressionable minds of children, it fails miserably. In the first place, people who claim their minds are not impressionable ought to think about what they are saying. A mind that is not able to receive impressions would seem to be one not worth having. The opposite of an impressionable mind is a closed mind — not something to boast about.

Second, children assimilate far more from first-hand experiences than from vicarious ones. They cannot be protected from living, so it makes sense to prepare them to do so by giving rather than withholding information.

Finally, some people feel some materials need to be suppressed because they are "patently offensive and without social redeeming value," as the courts have said. Censoring things without social value is redundant. If left alone, they will die of neglect.

Pornographic pictures don't have small audiences because of legal or moral standards. They draw so little attention because they lack any creative spark of imagination. Even if a bad work experiences a temporary boom due to sharp marketing, it will not last.

Conversely, good works last despite periodic waves of censorship, even if they deal with salacious subjects. Salinger's *Catcher in the Rye* has been repeatedly subjected to censorship yet

lives on.

Generally, three topics arouse action from would-be censors: sex, violence, and politics. None are well-founded. People who try to push sexual things into a closet reveal a great deal about their own sexual identities. Children aren't afraid of sex until they are thought to be so. Children whose parents give them straight answers to honest questions without euphemisms won't be upset by the first sight of people engaged in sexual intercourse.

Concerning violence, the primary learning environment is the home. If a child exhibits violent behavior, the parents would do better to examine their relationships with child and spouse. Given healthy social models in real life, children can understand fantasy, and even violent fantasies can be healthy outlets if the child's home environment is stable. Media cannot be blamed for the improper use of their products.

People who try to expunge things from the airwaves for political reasons are dangerous. Aside from being unconstitutional, intolerance of things such as Eddie Grant's song, "Electric Avenue" because it deals with social and economic revolution shows insecurity on the part of proponents of its censorship. If they really believed our free society worked, they would have no fear.

That's really what it comes down to anyway.

Free speech works. The pendulum of good taste may swing back and forth, but it will always seek its center as the gravity of public opinion pulls it with a fairly constant force.

We ought to remember when we see things that offend us that life changes. Time and context partially determine what is believed to be true. Pity the person who operates in a land of makebelieve where one universal truth can be discerned and nailed to the wall as prime example of good.

The multitude of explanations and elusive nature of truth throughout history serve as testimony to its amorphous, mutable essence. Truth cannot be universal and constant because we create it. So, censoring things in accordance with the faddist truths of the day ends up being no more than an arbitrary action to salve the afflicted minds of the censors.

Since truth can only be relative, we should practice tolerance of untruth at any given time. Let's lay off the video cassettes and movies and magazines. If they depict lust and violence, they merely reflect reality. Art does not lead people astray. It responds to the values and mores of the people. Let the materials be judged on their own merit. Those that don't end up covered with dust in closets will have earned their longevity.

—J. FRANK AULT

UNO seeks comical relief during SPO series today

Hey, this week is wearing slowly, but not that slowly. So, rest assured; you really did see a 20-foot beer can on campus.

And, those *faces*—the ones with large-rimmed glasses, big noses and bushy eyebrows—take a deep breath and relax.

It's all part of a co-sponsorship between the Student Programming Organization (SPO) and Lite Beer's "Comedy Connection," featuring stand-up comedian Jeff Cesario for two shows today at UNO.

"Cesario is one of the top three campus comedians in the country," said Pamela Kocina, chairwoman of the SPO "Rising Star Series."

"I saw him on *Late Night With David Letterman* and thought he was really funny," Kocina said. "Granted, David can get some screwy people on his show, but if Cesario was able to appeal to Letterman's audience, Cesario will appeal to a college crowd."

Cesario has appeared on the "Tonight Show" and has opened for the Commodores, Ella Fitzgerald and Gladys Knight and the Pips

Kocina explained that she "stumbled on to Jeff" when she was searching for activities to include in the Rising Star fall series. She discovered Cesario is an artist on the campus circuit for the Comedy Connection. The Rising Star Committee obtained promotional money, prizes and posters to bring the Comedy Connection to campus with Cesario this month and comedian Edward Jackman in November.

Cesario has appeared on the *Tonight Show* and has opened for the Commodores, Ella Fitzgerald and Gladys Knight and the Pips. He also makes frequent appearances at the Comedy Store and Improv nightclubs in Los Angeles, Kocina said.

Weather permitting, Cesario's shows are scheduled from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the mall area outside the Student Center. Otherwise, the shows will be performed in the Student Center ballroom.

Larry Wasserberger, Omaha distributor for the Miller High Life Co-op Association, said 100 hats, 50 T-shirts and 225 pairs of Groucho Marx sunglasses will be given away during the show. Kocina said that Cesario and two SPO members will lead a shout-off competition where the crowd divides into two teams and the winners receive prizes.

A drawing for four jean-jackets is also planned. The names of the UNO winners and the jacket winners from campuses across the United States will go into a national sweepstakes drawing. One person will win the grand prize a weekend trip for two to his or her choice of Los Angeles, New York, or Chicago to visit some of the hottest comedy clubs in the country, Kocina added.

Kocina explained that SPO receives money from student fees each semester and splits the amount between one of the eight SPO committees. Sponsorship helps SPO make more out of student events. "If we can stretch by having sponsorships, we will get more acts because sponsors pay for promotion and part of the artists fees," Kocina said.

Last spring the Coffee Spot was replaced by the Rising Star Series "to bring students more upbeat entertainment." Before, said Kocina, the Coffee Spot focused on entertainment for older UNO students. "But, during the day, we have a lot of younger people on campus, and there is no need to gear events toward the older students who come in the evening," Kocina added.

"Cesario will go over so well, it's going to be great," said



JEFF CESARIO

Kocina. "The whole idea behind the Rising Star Series is to give something to students that they will appreciate, and everyone enjoys a good laugh."



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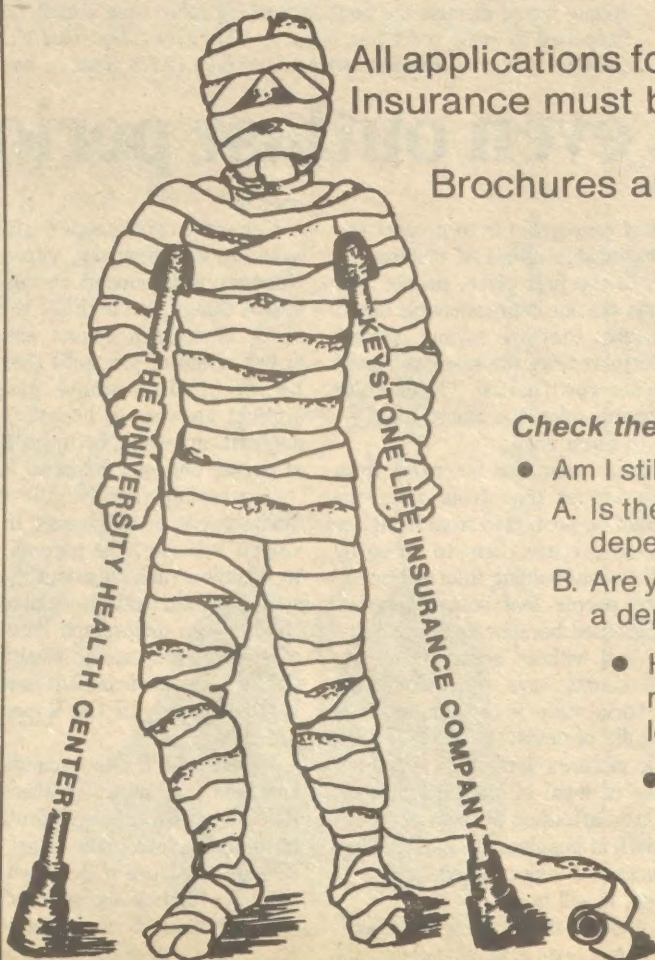
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Sports

Offense stops Mavs in second loss

By TIM JENSEN

The "fun" disappeared from UNO's "young and fun" football squad Saturday as it went down in defeat at the hands of the St. Cloud Huskies in front of 3,755 fans in St. Cloud, Minn.

The Mavs were held to 145 yards rushing and 69 yards passing in what head coach Sandy Buda called a bad game for the offense.

"The quarterback play was not good," said Buda. Sophomore quarterback Rick Majerus completed one of ten passes with one interception on the St. Cloud two-yard line. Junior quarterback Scott Jamieson started the second half and completed four out of 18 passes.

"You gotta keep playing the young kids and just keep gritting your teeth. We weathered a few games we could have lost and we won."

—Sandy Buda

"We were inches away from a win," said Buda. "Offensive mistakes stopped us." The key offensive mistakes were a fumble as UNO was about to score, a fumble at the UNO 2-yard line to give the Huskies an easy score, and seven penalties for 50 yards.

"We're looking for improvement from our guys every week, but we regressed Saturday," Buda said. He said his team is still not playing a complete 60 minutes of football either offensively or defensively.

Five games into the season, Buda still doesn't have a permanent starter at quarterback. "We're still gonna go with these two guys," said Buda. But he admitted the main reason behind Saturday's loss was the poor play from the quarterbacks.

The players of the week were senior center Jerry Kripal on offense and senior strong safety Gary Baker on defense. Buda said Kripal did an outstanding job of blocking to earn the honor. Gary Baker had five unassisted tackles and three assisted break-up one pass and intercepting a pass. The Mavs suffered no serious injuries.

Keep plugging away

In the beginning of this year's season, Buda characterized his team as a "young and fun" bunch of players, but he said the "fun" was missing in Saturday's loss.

"You gotta keep playing the young kids and just keep gritting your teeth," said Buda. "We could just as easily be 1-4. We weathered a few games we could have lost and we won. We've just got to keep plugging away."

Buda said the Mavs have a test coming up this week. Not only a test on the football field but a whole lot of tests in the classroom. This week is mid-term exam week at UNO. Surprise! Buda said this week's homecoming game against the Mankato Mavericks will be a good test for the UNO Mavericks. "If we win, we'll have a good season. If we lose we'll have a poor season," said Buda.

Despite UNO's mediocre 3-2 record overall and 1-2 in the NCC, Buda still has good feelings about his team.

"This is the youngest football team I've had," said Buda, who has now coached eight squads since he came to UNO in 1978. "They're just not progressing as fast as we'd like them to. I've got a little four-year-old at home, and he's not throwing the ball or hitting a golf ball as good as I wish he could, but you just gotta let 'em grow."

Still a gambler

Buda says he hasn't changed his philosophy about coaching yet; he's still the Riverboat Gambler. Buda, as many college football head coaches, leaves the majority of the play calling to his offensive and defensive coordinators, but when the call is on the line Buda makes the decision. He said he hasn't quit taking a gamble on risky plays. "Hell no! We're still doing those things."

The Gambler and his Mavericks will put their stuff on the line in this Saturday's homecoming game at Al Caniglia Field at 1:30 p.m. against the Mavericks of the north.

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Lady Mavs 'had to work hard to win'

By POLIDOROS C. PSERROS

UNO's volleyball team finished second in the North Dakota State Invitational Tournament. UNO lost to Winnipeg, the three-time Canadian national champion, 15-2, 15-2, 17-15 in the finals but UNO coach Janice Kruger wasn't unhappy by the Lady Mavs weekend performance.

"We played well," she said. She said Winnipeg had three players who practice with Canada's national team including Ruth Klassen, the Canadian's most valuable player last season. "With three people that outstanding, it makes it very hard to compete," she said.

Klassen led her team with 19 kill spikes. Kathy Knudsen and Allie Nuzum led UNO with seven and six kill spikes, respectively.

Kruger said part of the problem against Winnipeg was the Canadians had nearly two hours rest before the UNO match. By contrast, UNO played shortly after finishing a grueling, hour and 20-minute semifinal match against St. Cloud State. UNO won 15-8, 4-15, 15-12, 15-10.

Knudsen led UNO with 23 kills; Nuzum added 21 and Regina Rule had nine. Rule led UNO with eight service aces.

Defensively, Lisa Lyons, with six blocks, Lori Schutte, with five blocks, and Knudsen, with four, sparked UNO's play at the net. Lyons also led UNO with 25 dig saves; Nuzum added 18.

Angie Oswald led UNO with a season high of 45 set assists. Kruger said Oswald, who joined Knudsen and Nuzum on the all-tournament team, had a high number of assists because of a change in offensive strategy.

Kruger said UNO shifted to a 5-1 offense rather than the 6-2. In the 5-1, Oswald sets from both the back and the front row

while the 6-2 utilizes two setters with the setter coming from the back row.

Kruger said she shifted to the 5-1 because "it's quicker in transition" and the one-setter offense is more consistent. She added that hitter Lisa Lyons, who had set, seems to have relaxed and has also shown improvements in other areas.

"Lori Schutte had outstanding matches Friday night, her best as a collegian."
—Janice Kruger

"Lisa has kind of loosened up," she said.

Kruger said sophomores Oswald, Lyons, and Schutte played extremely well in the tournament. "Lori Schutte had outstanding matches Friday night, her best as a collegian," Kruger said.

UNO won its pool phase of the tournament by defeating St. Cloud State 15-13, 15-13 and coming from behind to defeat Northern Michigan 11-15, 15-8, 15-13, Friday.

"All of the matches this weekend, we had to work hard to win," Kruger added.

Schutte had seven kills, five blocks and seven dig saves in her first extended back row performance of the season against Northern Michigan. Schutte, UNO's only 6-footer, had spec-

ialized at the front row.

UNO was led by Nuzum with a career high 20 kills, and Knudsen, who added 13. Lyons had seven kills. Nuzum, Oswald and Rule each had three service aces.

At the net, Lyons and Knudsen joined Schutte with four five blocks. Nuzum had four and Oswald, at 5-foot-4, added three. Kruger said Oswald played well at the net although she has height disadvantage.

"She held her own at the net," Kruger said. Rule and Nuzum led UNO with 17 and 12 dig saves respectively. Lyons had seven. Oswald had 42 assists.

She added that UNO had some difficulty with Northern Michigan's use of the jump-serve. "They had two girls that were jump serving," she said. "That's the first time we've ever faced it in competition."

Kruger said "the jump serve just drops" as it passes over the net. "We had a little trouble passing that," she added. "Once we figured it out, it was okay."

In the only two-game match of the weekend, UNO swept St. Cloud in the pool phase as Nuzum and Knudsen led UNO with nine kills each. Schutte had four service aces.

Defensively, Lyons and Schutte led UNO with three blocks each. Nuzum, with 11 dig saves, Oswald, with 10, Schutte, with nine, and Lyons, with eight, led UNO.

UNO, rated No. 8 in the NCAA Division II, is now 18-6. It plays Missouri Western at the Fieldhouse Tuesday at 7 p.m. Next weekend, UNO begins its round-robin conference schedule at North Dakota State Friday and at North Dakota Saturday afternoon.

Sports Opinion *'It just doesn't matter'*

"These are the times that try men's souls."

I think Thomas Paine must have been trying to hold down a job and struggle his way through college when he said that.

The students on this campus are now experiencing a week that drives most students on any college campus to drink heavily or leave school for a career as a part-time employee at Taco

Getting a ticket for double-parking one's Mercedes would lead any sane person to drug abuse. An income of 50 bucks a week doesn't lend itself to cocaine abuse, much less a six pack of Black Label Light.

Bell. If anyone has the time to read this article through their blurry, caffeine-strained eyes, they are experiencing a phenomenon known as mid-term exam week.

What, you ask, could all of this possibly have to do with sports? It has a lot to do with the increasingly small world of sports

that is brought to you through the omniscient mind of the *Gateway* sports staff. And I do mean mind as in singular. The entire sports staff of two people and usually less than one. The mind shared by this skeletal staff is inherited by successive sports editors along with a desk that failed all attempts for bids in the many auctions UNO had last spring.

Being a member of the *Gateway* staff in no way excludes a person from taking part in mid-term exams; moreover, such a position adds to the insanity. Due to the job as sports editor, two other part-time jobs, 18 hours of classes, and another activity which sometimes resembles a social life, don't be surprised if an essay answer for Broadcast History and Regulation appears as the lead sports story and my professor for that class receives the results of UNO's football game in a blue book.

But I don't feel rained on. That's what college life is all about, I think. All people have their own problems big and small. Even professional athletes have trouble dealing with the reality of their deprived lives. Getting a ticket for double parking one's Mercedes Benz at the airport would lead any sane person to habitual drug abuse. An income of 50 bucks a week, however, doesn't lend itself to cocaine use or abuse, much less a six pack of Black Label Light.


If I can just get through this one week of my life without enlisting in the Marines or joining a monastery—either of which requires celibacy—I promise to devote my life to either community service or hot tubs and champagne, whichever seems more appropriate. For now, though, as I gaze blurry-eyed over the top of my typewriter into the eternal abyss of the *Gateway* newsroom, I can't imagine myself Friday night without a heavily strapped overcoat in a room with foam rubber walls.

In the words of some extremely intelligent and quick-witted sports broadcaster or football coach, it isn't over 'til it's over and when it's over it's over. That overcoat and padded room are becoming more and more appealing all the time as long as it's all over when I wake up, and I can still get a job starting at \$25,000 a year.

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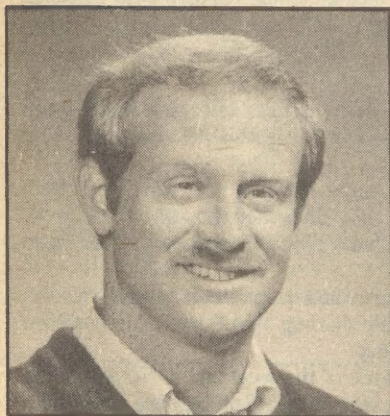
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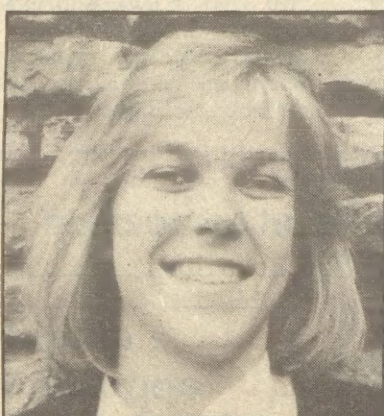
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